

REMARKS

By the response, claims 27, 28, 30-33, 35-38, 54, 56-65 and 67 are pending in the present application. Claims 27, 35, 56, and 62 are amended and are the independent claims. Claims 68-71 are newly added. Claims 1-26, 29, 34, 39, 40-53, 55 and 66 were previously cancelled.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the above remarks and amendments, the Applicant respectfully submits that each of the pending objections and rejections has been addressed and overcome, placing the present application in condition for allowance. A notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.


Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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